

## **Proposed ground mounted solar panels (to serve Wishes) and partial 'change of use' to extend the residential garden at:-**

**Land adjacent: Wishes, Thornbush Lane, Norwich Rd, Earl Stonham, Stowmarket IP14 5DN.**

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This application seeks to obtain planning permission for the erection of ground mounted solar panels at land adjacent Wishes. This land is owned by the applicant and owners of 'Wishes' and would be installed to serve this same property if approved. This would improved the environmental credentials of this property and, being ground mounted, would have minimal impact upon any surrounding properties or the wider rural / agricultural environment.

This area of land previously formed part of a larger field, all of which was within the applicant's ownership when they lived at Angel Hill Farm, Stonham Aspal, Stowmarket IP14 5DN. Upon selling this dwelling they retained ownership of a partition of the land that bounds their self-build plot (now called Wishes). The original land use continues and no previous 'change of use' application has since been made.

As part of this application the applicants now wish to seek formal planning approval for the 'change of use' of a small portion of this adjoining field in order to extend the depth of their self-build bungalows rear garden and domestic curtilage. The remainder of the field will remain within their ownership and house the proposed ground mounted solar panels (and remain of the current use). The extent of the area proposed for the 'change in use' together with the area to locate the ground mounted solar panels are clearly identified within the supporting drawings that accompany this application.

The Pre-application process has positively been engaged with under MSDC reference: DC/24/00854.